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(Original) A recording liquid deposited as a liquid droplet on a support for printing thereon, comprising

a dye, a solvent for dispersing the dye, and a surfactant containing an organic compound represented by the following chemical formula 1:

$$\begin{array}{c} {\rm CH_2 -\! O -\! (CH_2CH_2O)_m -\! H} \\ {\rm CH_3 -\! CH_2 -\! C -\! CH_2\, CH_2\, CH_2\, CH_3} \\ {\rm CH_2 -\! O -\! (CH_2CH_2\, O)_n -\! H} \end{array}$$

where m and n are integers not less than 1.

- (Original) The recording liquid according to claim 1 wherein the sum of m and n in the chemical formula 1 for said surfactant is not less than 2 and not larger than 30.
- (Original) The recording liquid according to claim 1 wherein said surfactant is contained in an amount not less than 0.05 wt% and not larger than 10 wt%.
- (Original) The recording liquid according to claim 1 wherein, at 25°C, the surface tension is not less than 30 N/m and not larger than 60 N/m and the viscosity is not larger than 15 mPs·S.

5-29. (Cancelled)